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TOPIC Nitra Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. The airfield of Nitra (P 49/T 52) was located east of the town, south of Tormos (P 49/T 62). The subsoil of the level field, about 1,000 x 1,600 meters, was sandy and covered by grass. There was no runway. No construction work was observed.
2. In the southern portion of the airfield there were one office building, three hangars of reinforced concrete, each about 10 x 15 meters, constructed between 1945 and 1948, and a two-story building, about 17 x 55 meters which was generally being referred to as the aircraft factory. During the war, this factory had a labor force of about 200. It was said that the factory was no longer in operation. Three additional small buildings which had served as stores during the war were located near the factory.
3. There was rather heavy day and night flying by small aircraft over the field. Several gliders were parked at the field.
4. There were four barracks installations in Nitra, including the so-called air force barracks, located about 150 meters from the railroad station in the direction of the town. The installation consisted of four wooden buildings and a three-story brick building which had been constructed in 1951. The barracks were occupied by air force personnel in blue uniforms with blue epaulets. It could accommodate about 150 men. It was said that the airfield was guarded by personnel stationed at these barracks. *

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- * Comment. The location and the dimensions of Nitra airfield is confirmed. According to a previous report, there are only two hangars at the field. The occupation of the air force barracks and the flying observed indicate that the field is occupied by a training unit, probably elements of a pilot school. A tactical unit is not believed to be stationed at the field. Unconfirmed information indicated that the air force depot previously stationed in Nitra was transferred to Trnecin (P 49/T 58) in January 1949.

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